FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE BILL NO. 723

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PIKE.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 169.141 and 169.715, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to teacher and school employee retirement systems.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 169.141 and 169.715, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 169.141 and 169.715, to read as follows:

169.141. 1. Any person receiving a retirement allowance under sections 169.010 to
169.140, and who elected a reduced retirement allowance under subsection 3 of section 169.070
with his or her spouse as the nominated beneficiary, may nominate a successor beneficiary under
either of the following circumstances:

5 (1) If the nominated beneficiary precedes the retired person in death, the retired person 6 may, upon remarriage, nominate the new spouse under the same option elected in the application 7 for retirement;

8 (2) If the marriage of the retired person and the nominated beneficiary is dissolved, and 9 if the dissolution decree provides for sole retention by the retired person of all rights in the 10 retirement allowance, the retired person may, upon remarriage, nominate the new spouse under 11 the same option elected in the application for retirement.

2. Any nomination of a successor beneficiary under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection 13 1 of this section must be made in accordance with procedures established by the board of 14 trustees, and must be filed within ninety days of May 6, 1993, or within one year of the 15 remarriage, whichever later occurs. Upon receipt of a successor nomination filed in accordance 16 with those procedures, the board shall adjust the retirement allowance to reflect actuarial

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17 considerations of that nomination as well as previous beneficiary and successor beneficiary nominations.

- 18 3. Any person receiving a retirement allowance under sections 169.010 to 169.140 who 19 elected a reduced retirement allowance under subsection 3 of section 169.070 with his or her
- 20 spouse as the nominated beneficiary may have the retirement allowance increased to the amount
- 21 the retired member would be receiving had the retired member elected option 1 if:
- 22 (1) The marriage of the retired person and the nominated spouse is dissolved on or after 23 September 1, 2017[;
- 24 (2) The], and the dissolution decree provides for sole retention by the retired person of 25 all rights in the retirement allowance; [and] or
- 26 (2) The marriage of the retired person and the nominated spouse was dissolved 27 before September 1, 2017, and:
- 28 (a) The dissolution decree provides for sole retention by the retired person of all 29 rights in the retirement allowance, and the parties obtain an amended or modified dissolution decree after September 1, 2017, providing for the immediate removal of the 30 31 nominated spouse, or the nominated spouse consents in writing to his or her immediate 32 removal as nominated beneficiary and disclaims all rights to future benefits to the 33 satisfaction of the board of trustees; or
- 34 (b) The dissolution decree does not provide for sole retention by the retired person 35 of all rights in the retirement allowance and the parties obtain an amended or modified 36 dissolution decree after September 1, 2017, which provides for sole retention by the retired person of all rights in the retirement allowance; and 37
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- (3) The person receives a retirement allowance under subsection 3 of section 169.070. 39
- Any such increase in the retirement allowance shall be effective upon the receipt of an 40 41 application for such increase and a certified copy of the decree of dissolution and separation agreement, if applicable, that meets the requirements of this section. 42
- 169.715. 1. Any person receiving a retirement allowance under sections 169.600 to 169.712, and who elected a reduced retirement allowance under subsection 4 of section 169.670 2 with his or her spouse as the nominated beneficiary, may nominate a successor beneficiary under 3 4 either of the following circumstances:
- 5 (1) If the nominated beneficiary precedes the retired person in death, the retired person may, upon remarriage, nominate the new spouse under the same option elected in the application 6 7 for retirement:
- 8 (2) If the marriage of the retired person and the nominated beneficiary is dissolved, and 9 if the dissolution decree provides for sole retention by the retired person of all rights in the

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retirement allowance, the retired person may, upon remarriage, nominate the new spouse underthe same option elected in the application for retirement.

2. Any nomination of a successor beneficiary under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection 13 1 of this section must be made in accordance with procedures established by the board of 14 trustees, and must be filed within ninety days of May 6, 1993, or within one year of the 15 remarriage, whichever later occurs. Upon receipt of a successor nomination filed in accordance 16 with those procedures, the board shall adjust the retirement allowance to reflect actuarial 17 considerations of that nomination as well as previous beneficiary and successor beneficiary 18 nominations.

Any person receiving a retirement allowance under sections 169.600 to 169.715 who
 elected a reduced retirement allowance under subsection 4 of section 169.670 with his or her
 spouse as the nominated beneficiary may have the retirement allowance increased to the amount
 the retired member would be receiving had the retired member elected option 1 if:

(1) The marriage of the retired person and the nominated spouse is dissolved on or after
 September 1, 2017[;

25 (2) The], and the dissolution decree provides for sole retention by the retired person of
 26 all rights in the retirement allowance; [and] or

(2) The marriage of the retired person and the nominated spouse was dissolved
 before September 1, 2017, and:

(a) The dissolution decree provides for sole retention by the retired person of all rights in the retirement allowance, and the parties obtain an amended or modified dissolution decree after September 1, 2017, providing for the immediate removal of the nominated spouse, or the nominated spouse consents in writing to his or her immediate removal as nominated beneficiary and disclaims all rights to future benefits to the satisfaction of the board of trustees; or

35 (b) The dissolution decree does not provide for sole retention by the retired person 36 of all rights in the retirement allowance and the parties obtain an amended or modified 37 dissolution decree after September 1, 2017, which provides for sole retention by the retired 38 person of all rights in the retirement allowance; and

39 40 (3) The person receives a retirement allowance under subsection 4 of section 169.670.

41 Any such increase in the retirement allowance shall be effective upon the receipt of an 42 application for such increase and a certified copy of the decree of dissolution **and separation**

43 agreement, if applicable, that meets the requirements of this section.

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